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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

These data are preliminary and subject to revision. The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. The geographic distribution for wells and footage is not published on a monthly basis, but is available from the API's "Quarterly Completion Report."

Cummulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

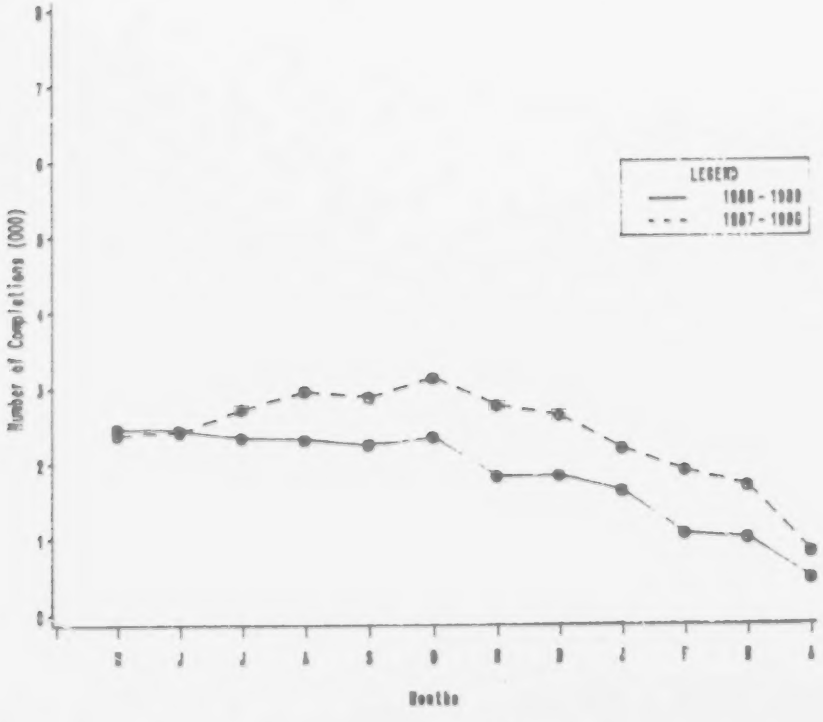

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 28, 1989[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1989	1,513	6,994,801	1,039	6,258,669	1,609	9,025,067	4,161	22,278,537	4,255	22,655,628
1989: APR	162	668,862	43	247,378	262	1,480,692	467	2,396,932	475	2,413,655
MAR	352	1,618,075	227	1,387,945	427	2,356,122	1,006	5,362,142	1,036	5,471,519
FEB	386	1,789,407	309	1,951,186	362	2,098,398	1,057	5,838,991	1,082	5,948,793
JAN	613	2,918,457	460	2,672,160	558	3,089,855	1,631	8,680,472	1,662	8,821,661
TOTAL 1988	11,808	52,284,938	7,028	38,407,273	9,313	50,277,023	28,149	140,969,234	29,015	143,723,205
1988: DEC	589	2,801,084	574	3,100,187	676	3,832,546	1,839	9,733,817	1,894	9,955,865
NOV	632	2,799,713	552	3,057,896	642	3,631,394	1,826	9,489,003	1,873	9,610,921
OCT	812	3,777,533	674	3,467,520	869	4,559,670	2,355	11,804,723	2,426	11,986,331
SEP	820	3,894,886	664	3,424,077	763	4,116,717	2,247	11,435,680	2,308	11,669,783
AUG	910	3,599,617	600	3,081,788	817	4,412,200	2,327	11,093,605	2,385	11,299,216
JUL	989	4,282,322	561	3,034,054	804	4,399,699	2,354	11,716,075	2,405	11,882,639
JUN	1,078	4,609,633	571	3,156,380	801	4,067,440	2,450	11,833,453	2,518	12,084,198
MAY	1,132	4,788,153	520	2,862,834	813	4,251,563	2,465	11,902,550	2,563	12,211,805
APR	1,144	5,133,821	488	2,882,585	762	4,171,547	2,394	12,187,953	2,477	12,473,984
MAR	1,224	5,378,581	586	3,459,120	761	4,142,458	2,571	12,980,159	2,680	13,276,674
FEB	1,195	5,304,720	608	3,394,362	732	4,123,742	2,535	12,822,824	2,641	13,103,732
JAN	1,283	5,914,875	630	3,486,470	873	4,568,047	2,786	13,969,392	2,845	14,168,057
TOTAL 1987	15,604	63,950,795	7,463	39,916,315	10,784	53,387,932	33,851	157,255,042	34,712	159,848,427
1987: DEC	1,356	5,957,833	670	3,694,208	1,055	5,584,439	3,081	15,236,480	3,165	15,493,437
NOV	1,493	6,087,080	661	3,460,513	936	4,834,023	3,090	14,381,616	3,174	14,591,127
OCT	1,538	6,225,105	823	4,384,041	1,120	5,288,532	3,481	15,897,678	3,594	16,293,897
SEP	1,435	5,983,779	655	3,289,911	1,010	5,002,257	3,100	14,275,947	3,163	14,484,842
AUG	1,488	5,709,096	682	3,364,915	981	4,845,316	3,151	13,919,327	3,224	14,148,499
JUL	1,352	5,161,918	583	3,316,241	941	4,366,073	2,876	12,844,232	2,979	13,097,393
JUN	1,205	4,792,208	519	2,850,748	829	4,071,577	2,553	11,714,533	2,620	11,893,209
MAY	1,215	4,977,377	480	2,669,853	793	4,020,762	2,488	11,667,992	2,575	11,981,943
APR	1,080	4,674,383	508	2,840,132	814	3,724,752	2,402	11,239,267	2,440	11,357,303
MAR	1,060	4,559,532	603	3,192,465	737	3,714,552	2,400	11,466,549	2,439	11,586,469
FEB	1,119	4,640,292	602	3,239,850	696	3,379,975	2,417	11,260,117	2,465	11,430,202
JAN	1,263	5,182,192	677	3,613,438	872	4,555,674	2,812	13,351,304	2,874	13,490,106
TOTAL 1986	18,321	73,934,794	7,920	42,443,409	12,167	59,548,253	38,408	175,926,456	39,217	178,474,071
TOTAL 1985	36,399	142,722,499	12,828	70,345,920	21,279	103,261,776	70,506	316,330,195	72,448	321,988,357

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 28, 1989[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1989	107	699,046	89	632,211	830	4,721,605	1,026	6,052,862
1989: APR	10	71,621	6	23,604	125	703,264	141	798,489
MAR	24	174,234	12	73,417	225	1,242,741	261	1,490,392
FEB	31	214,811	25	196,967	195	1,149,497	251	1,561,275
JAN	42	238,380	46	338,223	285	1,626,103	373	2,202,706
TOTAL 1988	762	4,635,579	614	4,162,913	4,537	26,526,523	5,913	35,325,015
1988: DEC	46	281,509	53	291,914	368	2,240,675	467	2,814,098
NOV	48	251,622	48	328,283	358	2,127,645	454	2,707,550
OCT	63	414,684	63	415,291	453	2,526,723	579	3,356,698
SEP	67	420,285	40	259,800	365	2,156,993	472	2,837,078
AUG	53	284,661	45	259,834	401	2,283,219	499	2,827,714
JUL	68	393,197	54	361,300	399	2,286,337	521	3,040,834
JUN	70	424,570	57	396,596	374	2,126,804	501	2,947,970
MAY	54	343,346	60	465,277	378	2,151,722	492	2,960,345
APR	80	537,833	57	379,233	345	1,943,181	482	2,860,247
MAR	62	369,862	41	309,324	360	2,161,062	463	2,840,248
FEB	72	480,353	49	367,514	351	2,172,702	472	3,020,569
JAN	79	433,657	47	328,547	385	2,349,460	511	3,111,664
TOTAL 1987	884	5,241,407	674	4,447,530	5,041	27,008,398	6,599	36,697,335
1987: DEC	70	404,696	51	329,918	509	2,906,919	630	3,641,533
NOV	90	544,965	56	306,780	461	2,575,341	607	3,427,086
OCT	77	412,534	73	460,049	518	2,678,441	668	3,551,024
SEP	86	535,257	52	322,683	483	2,546,882	621	3,404,822
AUG	75	427,994	69	418,514	440	2,346,936	584	3,193,444
JUL	83	448,787	52	351,788	408	2,133,470	543	2,934,045
JUN	70	428,539	50	417,269	367	1,954,662	487	2,800,470
MAY	68	380,284	51	362,001	369	1,988,059	488	2,730,344
APR	61	383,352	48	274,780	358	1,775,361	467	2,433,493
MAR	59	418,286	52	346,817	363	1,880,504	474	2,645,607
FEB	58	359,117	55	389,927	328	1,664,460	441	2,413,504
JAN	87	497,596	65	467,004	437	2,557,363	589	3,521,963
TOTAL 1986	989	5,949,048	743	5,066,247	5,376	29,780,122	7,108	40,795,417
TOTAL 1985	1,723	10,070,004	1,283	8,643,434	9,162	49,551,384	12,168	68,264,822

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING APRIL 1989

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1989	433	1,869,347	383	2,276,817	460	2,542,066	1,276	6,688,230	1,309	6,805,881
1989: APR	162	668,862	43	247,378	262	1,480,692	467	2,396,932	475	2,413,655
MAR	170	763,798	147	1,006,590	140	728,658	457	2,499,046	478	2,582,691
FEB	51	250,453	100	586,169	35	202,064	186	1,038,686	190	1,055,969
JAN	50	186,234	93	436,680	23	130,652	166	753,566	166	753,566
TOTAL 1988	169	597,545	188	766,279	94	405,834	451	1,769,658	462	1,794,403
1988: DEC	30	129,742	62	257,627	18	105,551	110	492,920	111	494,882
NOV	15	75,322	25	103,482	13	69,366	53	248,170	55	249,930
OCT	28	128,029	23	114,362	13	59,657	64	302,048	64	302,048
SEP	18	63,291	20	78,072	8	38,633	46	179,996	47	180,644
AUG	8	21,063	18	92,229	4	14,335	30	127,627	31	130,477
JUL	10	25,524	7	27,015	5	18,902	22	71,441	22	71,441
JUN	19	51,985	6	17,170	5	21,849	30	91,004	33	99,829
MAY	10	22,032	5	18,014	5	15,758	20	55,804	23	64,504
APR	7	21,884	2	3,256	4	16,786	13	41,926	13	41,926
MAR	10	24,226	9	22,225	8	17,821	27	64,272	27	64,272
FEB	9	26,793	6	14,826	5	11,085	20	52,704	20	52,704
JAN	5	7,654	5	18,001	6	16,091	16	41,746	16	41,746
TOTAL 1987	28	68,635	22	77,857	34	54,007	84	200,499	86	209,549
1987: DEC	4	8,522	0	0	5	10,069	9	18,591	9	18,591
NOV	6	17,735	3	10,435	8	11,625	17	39,795	17	39,795
OCT	8	8,189	2	5,045	11	15,461	21	28,695	21	28,695
SEP	1	1,104	6	5,832	1	285	8	7,221	9	7,225
AUG	0	0	0	0	2	8,130	2	8,130	3	17,176
JUL	2	6,570	1	1,080	1	2,100	4	9,750	4	9,750
JUN	2	7,865	2	9,056	0	0	4	16,921	4	16,921
MAY	2	7,587	2	15,986	0	0	4	23,573	4	23,573
APR	1	852	1	1,745	1	1,215	3	3,812	3	3,812
MAR	0	0	0	0	1	800	1	800	1	800
FEB	1	995	3	13,068	2	2,577	6	16,640	6	16,640
JAN	1	9,216	2	15,610	2	1,745	5	26,571	5	26,571
TOTAL 1986	13	37,925	15	33,584	23	31,069	51	102,578	62	142,086
YRS PRIOR TO 1986	100	239,283	64	275,429	52	72,434	216	587,146	231	635,140
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	743	2,812,735	672	3,429,966	663	3,105,410	2,078	9,348,111	2,150	9,587,059

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of April 28, 1989. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period April 1, 1989 through April 28, 1989. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.